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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 15, 2008, applicant elects, without traverse, Group I, Claims 1-11 and 15, drawn to laminated piezoelectric elements.

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